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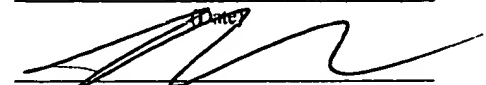
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Shults, *et al.*
Appl. No. : 09/447,227
Filed : November 22, 1999
For : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
DETERMINING ANALYTE
LEVELS
Examiner : Robert L. Nasser
Group Art Unit : 3736

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action Made Final mailed April 4, 2006, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Applicants further respectfully request an Advisory Action.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.